# **APPENDIX GG:**

**Drum Removal Action Documentation and Information** 

# Natural Resource Department - Waste Removal and Disposal

Last winter the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Natural Resource Department (KBNRD) staff coordinated the removal and proper disposal of twenty-six 55-gallon drums of hazardous and non-hazardous waste from Tribal property. In 2005, KBNRD coordinated the removal and proper disposal of four drums of hazardous waste from another Tribal property. Waste removal and disposal in both cases was completed using funding provided by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Environmental Management Program. In 2005, BIA funds were used to dispose of a number of 55-gallon drums of used motor oils and coolants, and approximately 900 pounds of improperly discarded lead acid batteries. These activities are part of ongoing efforts by KBNRD to identify and address environmental concerns on the Reservation, protect the quality of the environment, and help make the Reservation a healthier and safer place to live. KBNRD encourages anyone with concerns about environmental issues or situations on the Reservation to contact the Department at (906) 524-5757.



# U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT Assinins Drums - Removal Polrep



# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Region V

Subject:

POLREP #1

**Initial EPA Sitrep Assinins Drums** 

Assinins, MI

Latitude: 46.8098413 Longitude: -88.4762371

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**Reporting Period:** 07/12/2010 to 7/21/2010

#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

**Site Number:** 

**Contract Number:** 

D.O. Number:

**Action Memo Date:** 

**Response Authority:** 

**Response Type:** 

**Response Lead:** 

**Incident Category:** 

Removal Assessment

**NPL Status:** 

**Operable Unit:** 

**Mobilization Date:** 7/12/2010

**Start Date:** 

7/12/2010

**Demob Date:** 

**EPA** 

7/12/2010 **Completion Date:** 

**CERCLIS ID:** 

**RCRIS ID:** 

ERNS No.:

**State Notification:** 

FPN#:

#### Reimbursable Account #:

# 1.1.1 Incident Category

Other - Abandoned Drums

### 1.1.2 Site Description

The Site is generally an open field along an unnamed road in Assinins, Michigan. Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) tribal offices were historically located at the property. Buildings and similar Site structures are no longer present. A suspect underground storage tank is also believed to be located at the property as reported by KBIC Natural Resources Department personnel.

#### **1.1.2.1** Location

The Site is located approximately one quarter mile from US 41 along an unnamed road in Assinins, Michigan.

# 1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

Potential release of drum contents to the environment.

# 1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

On 7-8-2010, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Natural Resources Department requested EPA assistance in characterizing the contents of two abandoned drums at the Site to facilitate disposal of those drums. Initial inspection indicated that the drums were intact and contained liquids. Indication of a release from the suspect drums was not evident.

#### 2. Current Activities

### 2.1 Operations Section

#### 2.1.1 Narrative

The KBIC Natural Resources Department requested EPA assistance in characterizing the contents of two abandoned drums at the Site to facilitate disposal of those drums.

### 2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

EPA START contractors mobilized to the Site on 7/12/2010. The integrity of the abandoned drums were determined and samples were collected from the drums for laboratory analysis. Limited hazard characterization was performed in the field to assess the physical properties of the liquids within the drums. The abandoned drums were placed in 85-gallon overpack drums.

# 2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

### 2.1.4 Progress Metrics

Waste Stream	Medium	Quantity	Manifest #	Treatment	Disposal
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# 2.2 Planning Section

### 2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

Conduct disposal of drums upon receipt of analytical reports

### 2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

Disposal of drums

## **2.2.1.2 Next Steps**

Issue DO to ERRS for drum

#### 2.2.2 **Issues**

None.

### 2.3 Logistics Section

No logistics considerations

#### 2.4 Finance Section

#### 2.4.1 Narrative

Will issue verbal delivery order to ERRS upon receipt of drum sample analysis

# 2.5 Safety Officer

Nothing to report. Field activites were completed on 7/12/2010.

#### 2.6 Liaison Officer

Nothing to report.

#### 2.7 Information Officer

#### 2.7.1 Public Information Officer

No current media interest.

### 2.7.2 Community Involvement Coordinator

Currently not relevant.

# 3. Participating Entities

### 3.1 Unified Command

Not applicable.

### 3.2 Cooperating and Assisting Agencies

**KBIC** 

### 4. Personnel On Site

START contractors were on-site for one day and have demobilized. KBIC were on site to provide access and to observe.

# 5. Definition of Terms

Not applicable.

### 6. Additional sources of information

# 6.1 Internet location of additional information/reports

KBIC Natural Resources Department.

# **6.2 Reporting Schedule**

Final sitrep to be issued at completion of removal action.

### 7. Situational Reference Materials

Refer to the "Documents" and "Images" links of the EPA website for additional infromation.

Sample analytical to be added upon receipt